

**PATENT**

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**Applicants :** Gregory Pinchasik et. al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office action mailed March 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.